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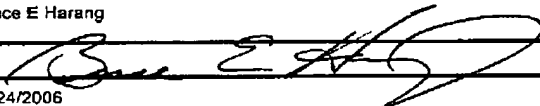
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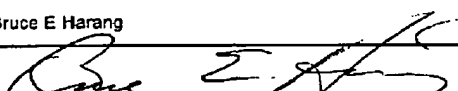
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated 05/16/2006. This amendment is timely filed if filed on or before 08/16/2006.

No additional fee is required.

Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is not included herewith.